Name & Surname: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

Prefix Power

Add a beginning, make a new word!

About 40 minutes Level ★★★☆☆

Task A

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Read the story. Answer about the new words with prefixes.

A student borrows a book from the class library. The teacher asks the student to retell the story to a partner. The student feels unhappy because the words look hard. The student rereads the first page slowly and then smiles.

1. What does **retell** mean in the **story**?

   Retell means...

2. What does **unhappy** mean in the **story**?

   Unhappy means...

3. What does **reread** mean in the **story**?

   Reread means...

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Build a Sentence

Use prefix words to make full sentences.

Key words

prefix: letters added to the start of a word

base word: the word we add the prefix to

un-: not

re-: again

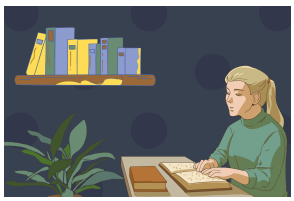
pre-: before

dis-: not or opposite of

Task B

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Look at the picture. Circle the right words to build the sentence.



Who?	What doing?	What?	Where?
◯ the girl	◯ will retell	◯ the story	◯ at school
◯ the teacher	◯ will draw	◯ the cookie	◯ at home



Who?	What doing?	What?	Where?
◯ the cook	◯ will preheat	◯ the oven	◯ at home
◯ the boy	◯ will eat	◯ the apple	◯ at school

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Trace and Write

Trace prefix words and write them alone.

Task C

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Trace each prefix word. Then write it alone on the line.

unhappy unhappy unhappy

retell retell retell

preheat preheat preheat

dislike dislike dislike

misspell misspell misspell

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Make and Sort

Make new words, then sort them by prefix.

Task D

Follow the steps to make a new word. Tick the box when done.

- [ ] Pick a base word card
- [ ] Pick a prefix card
- [ ] Put prefix before base word
- [ ] Say new word meaning aloud

Task E

Example done for you

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Sort the words by their prefix. Read each word first.

retell | unlock | ~~unhappy~~ | reread | redo | unsafe

un- means not	re- means again
unhappy	

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True or Trick?

Check what is true and fix mistakes.

Task F

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Is it always, sometimes, or never true? Write an example.

Statement	Always	Sometimes	Never
Adding **re-** to a word means **again**.			
Convince me: _____			
Adding **un-** always makes a **real** word.			
Convince me: _____			
A **prefix** goes at the **end** of a word.			
Convince me: _____			

Task G

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Find the mistake each student made. Write the correct meaning.



Student A

Retell means to tell before.

What mistake did Student A make? Write the correct fact.



Student B

Dislike means to like again.

What mistake did Student B make? Write the correct fact.

How did I do?

Circle a face for each line.

I can tell what a prefix does. ☹ 😐 ☺

I can figure out a new word with a prefix. ☹ 😐 ☺

I can use unhappy and retell correctly. ☹ 😐 ☺

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Answer sheet: Prefix Power

Task A

1. tell again
2. not happy
3. read again

Task B

1. The teacher will retell the story at school.
2. The cook will preheat the oven at home.

Task C

unhappy, retell, preheat, dislike, misspell

Task D

Answers will vary.

Task E

un- means not: unhappy, unsafe, unlock
re- means again: retell, reread, redo

Task F

1. Always (retell means tell again.)
2. Sometimes (unhappy is real but unjump is not.)
3. Never (A prefix goes at the start.)

Task G

1. Student A: Wrong. re- means again, so retell means tell again.
2. Student B: Wrong. dis- means not, so dislike means not like.

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